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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claim(s), as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120, of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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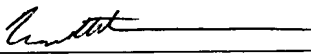
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TO A BELT

POWER OF ATTORNEY

I, Timothy S. Leatherman, declare that I am the President of Leatherman Tool Group, Inc., an Oregon corporation, and am authorized to execute this document on its behalf. Leatherman Tool Group, Inc., is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the above-identified patent application and hereby appoints Jacob E. Vilhauer, Jr., Reg. No. 24,885, Charles D. McClung, Reg. No. 26,568, Dennis E. Stenzel, Reg. No. 28,763, Donald B. Haslett, Reg. No. 28,855, William O. Geny, Reg. No. 27,444, J. Peter Staples, Reg. No. 30,690, Nancy J. Moriarty, Reg. No. 40,733, Bruce W. DeKock, Reg. No. 40,585, Kevin L. Russell, Reg. No. 38,292, Timothy A. Long, Reg. No. 28,876 and Brenna K. Legaard, Reg. No. P-51,077, all of the firm of CHERNOFF, VILHAUER, MCCLUNG & STENZEL, LLP, 1600 ODS Tower, 601 S.W. Second Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97204-3157, telephone No. (503) 227-5631, its attorneys, jointly and individually, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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Dated: January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2002

  
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Timothy S. Leatherman  
President  
Leatherman Tool Group, Inc.

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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR §3.73(b)

Applicant : Benjamin C. Rivera  
Application No. : \_\_\_\_\_ Filed: (concurrently herewith)  
Title : CARRIER FOR ATTACHING A MULTIPURPOSE TOOL TO A BELT  
Assignee : Leatherman Tool Group, inc.,  
an Oregon corporation,  
(Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership,  
university, government agency, etc.)

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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to sign this Statement on behalf of the assignee.

Date : January 30, 2002  
Name : Donald B. Haslett  
Title : Attorney for Assignee (copy of Power of Attorney is attached)  
Signature: *Donald B. Haslett*

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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, Benjamin C. Rivera, Nathan E. Knight and Bernd Heinrichs, whose respective addresses are 19485 Suncrest Drive, West Linn, Oregon 97068, 1933 N.E. 60th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97213 and 10419 N.E. 78<sup>th</sup> Street, Vancouver, Washington 98662, are the inventors of an invention entitled CARRIER FOR ATTACHING A MULTIPURPOSE TOOL TO A BELT for which on an even date herewith we executed an application for United States letters patent;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One (\$1.00) Dollar and other valuable consideration paid to us by Leatherman Tool Group, Inc., an Oregon corporation whose primary address is 12106 Ainsworth Circle, Portland, Oregon 97220, the receipt whereof is acknowledged, we do hereby assign unto the same Leatherman Tool Group, Inc., the entire interest in said invention for the United States and all foreign countries and any letters patent to be issued therefor in the United States or any foreign country and any divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part, improvements, reissues or extensions that may be made or granted thereon.

AND the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is requested to issue such letters patent in accordance herewith. And we agree to execute further instruments proper for effectuating the premises.

Dated: January 29, 2002

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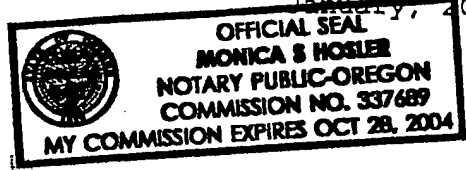
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Before me, a Notary Public for said county,  
personally appeared Benjamin C. Rivera, known to me to be the  
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Witness my hand and seal this 29<sup>th</sup> day of  
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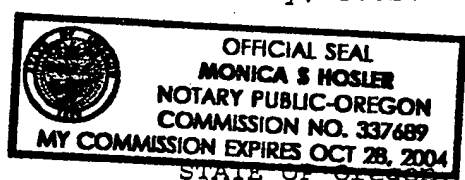


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